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# Say Something IOWA



## Report suspicious behavior to local law enforcement.

**Public safety is everyone's responsibility.** If you see suspicious activity, report it to local law enforcement or contact 911. Describe **who** or **what** you saw, **when** you saw it, **where** it occurred, and **why** it's suspicious.

## Contact local authorities or 911

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## What is suspicious behavior?

**Suspicious activity is any observed behavior that could indicate terrorism or terrorism-related crime.**

The "If You See Something, Say Something®" campaign respects citizens' privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties by emphasizing behavior, rather than appearance, in identifying suspicious activity. Factors such as race, ethnicity, and/or religious affiliation are **not** suspicious.

**Suspicious activity includes, but is not limited to:**

### **Unusual items or situations**

A vehicle may be parked in an odd location, a package or piece of luggage is left unattended, a window or door that is normally closed is now open, or another out-of-the-ordinary situation.

### **Eliciting information**

A person may question an individual or individuals at a level beyond mere curiosity about a building or facility's purpose, operations, security procedures and/or personnel, shift changes, etc.

### **Observation/surveillance**

Someone pays unusual attention to a facility or building beyond a casual or professional interest. This includes extended loitering without explanation (particularly in concealed locations); unusual, repeated, and/or prolonged observation of a building (e.g., with binoculars or a video camera); taking notes or measurements; counting paces; sketching floor plans, etc.

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**Be prepared to describe to authorities:**

- **Who or what** you saw;
- **When** you saw it;
- **Where** it occurred; and
- **Why** it's suspicious.